



Town of Huntington

Information Handout – Shellfish Taker’s Permits Commercial and Personal/Recreational

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1.0 - Display of Taker's Permits and Decals

A. Carrying of Permits. Any person engaged in taking shellfish from certified town lands underwater shall have his/her permit either on his/her person or in the boat from which he/she is taking shellfish.

B. Display of Permits. Any person engaged in taking shellfish from certified town lands underwater shall show his/her permit and a copy of the permit issued to his/her employers, where appropriate, to any law enforcement official or other duly authorized individual upon request. Failure to do so shall be presumptive evidence of failure to obtain a proper permit.

C. Decals.

(1) Display. The Town Clerk shall issue two (2) identification decals corresponding to the commercial taker's permit number for each registered vessel used by the permit holder when taking shellfish. The permit holder, when engaged in the taking of shellfish from town lands underwater, shall affix and conspicuously display one decal on each of the aftermost port and starboard sides of his/her boat.

(2) Replacement. It shall be the responsibility of each commercial taker's permit holder to maintain and protect his/her assigned and issued identification decals from damage and/or loss. A permit holder shall replace damaged, mutilated, unreadable or lost decals by submitting an affidavit attesting to circumstances requiring replacement and a proper fee to the Town Clerk.

2.0 - Gauges Required

A. Issuance. The Town Clerk shall offer for sale to each successful applicant at a fee to be established by the Town Board by resolution, a gauge for the measurement of hard clams.

B. Possession. Said gauge shall be in the possession of the permit holder while engaged in taking shellfish.

C. Liability. The permit holder is not relieved of liability by reason of inaccuracy of any gauge other than one offered for sale by the Town Clerk.

3.0 - Means of Taking and Handling Shellfish

A. Permitted Means.

(1) Commercial Shellfish Taker's Permit holders. The following shellfish may be taken by Commercial Shellfish Taker's Permit holders by the means set forth herein:

(a) Hard Clams (*Mercenaria mercenaria*).

[1] Hard Clams may be taken from certified town lands underwater by means of a tong or rake, without mechanical power, having not less than one (1.0) inch of clear space between teeth. No wire netting or other substance shall be used in the basket or any other implement used to take hard clams.

[2] Those engaged in the taking of Hard Clams shall size sort in the immediate area where they were taken, using a cull box with bars having not less than one (1.0) inch of clear space between the bars. Such cull device shall be designed and affixed to the vessel in such a manner as to allow hard clams that pass through the cull bars to fall directly and unimpaired to the waters from which they were taken.

[3] Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent allowed by New York State Environmental Conservation Law 13-0309(3)(g), in the taking of Hard Clams, a pot hauler may be used onboard a vessel to assist in hauling or retrieving a clam rake from the water, provided that the basket attached to the clam rake shall not exceed twenty-six (26.0) inches in width. For the purposes of this section, "pot hauler" shall mean a mechanically operated device, including but not limited to a winch, reel, windlass or capstan, which is used to haul or retrieve a clam rake from the water and return it to the harvest vessel. (*Source Reference – TOH TBR 2014-271*)

(b) Oysters (*Crassostrea virginica*).

[1] Oysters may be taken from certified town lands underwater by means of tongs and rakes, without mechanical power, or by sail dredging.

[2] Those engaged in the taking of Oysters by means of sail dredging, or onboard a boat having such a dredge or scrape overboard or within the boat from which they are taking Oysters, shall have a Town of Huntington commercial taker's permit.

[3] A boat shall not possess therein more than one dredge or scrape when sail dredging. Possession of more than one (1) dredge or scrape aboard a boat when engaged in sail dredging shall be prima facie evidence of taking oysters upon town lands underwater using more than one (1) dredge or scrape.

(c) Soft Clams/Steamers (*Mya arenaria*). Soft Clams/Steamers may be taken from certified town lands underwater by means of a shovel, fork, hoe or any other digging device without mechanical power.

(d) Bay Scallops (*Argopecten irradians*). Bay Scallops may be taken from certified town lands underwater by means of tongs and rakes without mechanical power.

(e) Whelks/Conchs (genera *Busycon/Busycotypus*)*. Whelks/Conchs may be taken with traps or as incidental catch.

(2) Personal Shellfish Taker's Permit holder. The following shellfish may be taken by Personal Shellfish Taker's Permit holders by the means set forth herein:

(a) Oysters, Hard Clams and Bay Scallops. Oysters, Hard Clams and/or Bay Scallops may be taken with a rake having a head no wider than fourteen (14.0) inches, measured perpendicularly to the teeth, having not less than one (1.0) inch of clear space between teeth, and a straight handle not to exceed ten (10.0) feet in length. Possession of a rake not meeting the stated dimensional criteria by those engaged in the taking of Oysters, Hard Clams and/or Bay Scallops will be presumptive evidence that shellstock was taken unlawfully.

(b) Soft Clams/Steamers. Soft Clams/Steamers may be taken from certified town lands underwater by means of a shovel, fork or hoe only.

(3) Hand/treading. All shellfish described under this section may be taken by hand/treading without the use of any mechanical device or the assistance of any contrivance that permits or aids a person to breathe underwater.

B. Prohibited Means.

(1) Generally. No type of device to take shellfish from town lands underwater shall be used except as provided in this chapter.

(2) Motor power. No type of motor to power a vessel shall be used during the taking or harvesting of shellfish. No motor on board the vessel for the purpose of powering the same shall be ignited or engaged during said taking or harvesting.

4.0 – Area and Time Restrictions

A. Uncertified Area Restrictions. No shellfish shall be taken from any uncertified area. Possession of a rake, tong, dredge, scrape or other digging or harvesting device overboard in uncertified waters within the jurisdiction of the Town of Huntington, except as provided elsewhere herein, shall be prima facie evidence of unlawfully taking shellfish upon town lands underwater.

B. Management Area Restrictions. No shellfish shall be taken from any management area closed to the taking of shellfish. Possession of a rake, tong, dredge, scrape or other digging or harvesting device overboard in a management area closed to the taking of shellfish within the jurisdiction of the Town of Huntington, except as provided elsewhere herein, shall be prima facie evidence of unlawfully taking shellfish upon town lands underwater. A management area may be restricted as to the taking of shellfish in accordance with the appropriate sections of this chapter.

C. Nighttime Restrictions. No shellfish shall be taken from town lands underwater between sunset and sunrise. Possession of a rake, tong, dredge, scrape or other digging or harvesting device overboard between sunset and sunrise in the waters of the Town of Huntington shall be prima facie evidence of taking shellfish unlawfully from town lands underwater.

5.0 – Size Restrictions

A. Restricted Sizes. No shellfish of less than the following sizes, except for transplant purposes as provided elsewhere in this chapter, shall be taken, bought, sold, possessed or otherwise transferred within the jurisdiction of the Town of Huntington.

Refer to -

Appendix B, Table 1A:

TOH – Personal/Recreational Shellfish Taker’s Permit Seasonal, Sizer and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions

B. Immediate Return. Any shellfish which are less than the legal size or are not in season shall immediately be returned to the location from which they were taken.

C. Un-culled Quantities. No possession of an un-culled quantity of shellfish shall be permitted, except that quantity that may be within the gear utilized or within the cull box.

D. Sorting Devices. All devices used to sort Hard Clams as to legal size, including but not limited to cull racks, shall have no less space between bars than the appropriate size for each type of Hard Clam as defined in this section.

E. Seed Shellfish. No seed shellfish shall be taken at any time except under a special permit issued pursuant to a Town Board resolution, where the Director of Maritime Services shall stipulate prohibitions, restrictions and regulations respecting the taking and transfer of seed shellfish.

Refer to -

Appendix B, Table 1A:

TOH - Commercial Shellfish Taker's Permit Seasonal, Sizer and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions

Appendix B, Table 2:

TOH – Personal/Recreational Shellfish Taker's Permit Seasonal, Size and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ)Restrictions

6.0 - Packing, Identification and Quantity Restrictions

A. Personal Shellfish Taker's Permit Holders.

Refer to -

Appendix B, Table 2:

TOH – Personal/Recreational Shellfish Taker's Permit Seasonal, Size and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions

B. Commercial Shellfish Taker's Permit Holders.

(1) Packing and Contents Identification.

(a) Species separation. Only one species of shellfish shall be packed in a shellfish container.

(b) Hard Clams and Oysters. All shellfish containers, when packed and landed to shore, shall be secured, labeled and/or tagged, where the contents and harvest area shall be identified and the quantity expressed as numerical count of individual organisms.

(c) Soft Clams/Steamers and Bay Scallops. All shellfish containers, when packed and landed to shore, shall be secured, labeled and/or tagged, where the contents and harvest area shall be identified and the quantity expressed as standard measure and/or net weight.

(2) Quantity.

(a) Numerical rating. Each regulated species has been assigned a numerical rating, which shall be used to determine maximum daily catch of a single species or type.

(b) Maximum Daily Numerical Value. A Maximum Daily Numerical Value not to exceed seven thousand five hundred (7,500) shall be used when determining the sum total daily catch quota per vessel for all regulated species (Hard Clams, Oysters, Soft Clams and Bay Scallops combined).

Refer to -

Appendix B, Table 1B:

TOH - Commercial Shellfish Taker's Permit Maximum Daily Numerical Value (MDNV) Restriction Calculations

(c) Maximum Daily Catch Quota. The sum total Maximum Daily Catch Quota per vessel for regulated species or type shall be determined using the following schedule:

Refer to -

Appendix B, Table 1A:

TOH – Personal/Recreational Shellfish Taker's Permit Seasonal, Sizer and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions

7.0 – Species/Type and Seasonal Restrictions

A. Species. Those who take a species of shellfish by any means other than that prescribed in the appropriate sections of this chapter shall immediately return said species to the area from which they were taken.

B. Seasons.

(1) Personal Shellfish Taker’s Permit holders.

<p><i>Refer to -</i> Appendix B, Table 2: TOH – Personal/Recreational Shellfish Taker’s Permit Seasonal, Size and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions</p>

(2) Commercial Shellfish Taker’s Permit holders.

<p><i>Refer to -</i> Appendix B, Table 1A: TOH - Commercial Shellfish Taker’s Permit Seasonal, Size and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions</p>

8.0 - Forfeiture

A. Size. Possession of seed shellfish more than the legal limit for any species pursuant to this chapter shall constitute a separate violation for each shellfish container where the entire contents of said shellfish container shall be subject to seizure without a warrant and forfeiture.

B. Quantity. Possession of quantities of shellfish species or types greater than the daily legal limit defined in this chapter shall constitute a violation where each and/or all shellfish containers in possession shall be subject to seizure without a warrant and forfeiture.

9.0 - Beam Trawls and Otter Trawls Prohibited

No beam trawls or otter trawls shall be used in any of the waters of the Town of Huntington if they shall drag upon the town lands underwater so as to interfere in any manner with the natural or cultivated growth of any shellfish in said waters. Possession of such beam trawl or otter trawl overboard in the waters of the Town of Huntington shall be prima facie evidence that it is dragging upon town lands underwater and disturbing or interfering with the shellfish therein or thereon.

10.0 - Management Areas and Resource Management

A. Town Board Authority. The Town Board may, in its discretion, designate any portion of town lands underwater as a management area for such period as it deems necessary for the conservation and protection of the shellfish located therein or to ensure public health.

B. Additional Management Areas. All uncertified, conditionally certified or seasonally certified town lands underwater shall be management areas.

C. Director's Authority. The Director of Maritime Services may prohibit, restrict and/or regulate the taking of shellfish from a management area. In rendering said decision, due consideration shall be given to the sanitary condition of the area, the quantity and size distribution of the shellfish present, the spawning periods of said shellfish and any other factor which may affect the productivity or viability of shellfish within the management area, or interfere with any shellfish management program.

D. Maps. A map (or maps) of town underwater lands delineating each Town of Huntington shellfish management area shall be available for public inspection in the offices of the Town Clerk and the Department of Maritime Services.

E. Descriptions. A description of each Town of Huntington shellfish management area, and all prohibitions, restrictions and regulations with regard to the taking of shellfish therein, shall be posted and available for public inspection, in the office of the Town Clerk and the Department of Maritime Services.

F. Violations. No person, business, firm, partnership or corporation shall violate the prohibitions, restrictions or regulations of the Director of Maritime Services with respect to the taking of shellfish from a management area.

G. Public Transplant. The harvesting of shellfish from uncertified town lands underwater shall be permitted only for the purpose of public transplant onto town lands underwater.

11.0 - Interference with Marking Devices

No person, business, partnership or corporation shall remove or tamper in any way with stakes, buoys, signs, boundary markers or other devices used to mark any management areas, uncertified areas, conditionally certified areas, seasonally certified areas or leased lands.

12.0 - Restrictions on Dealing with Shellfish for Commercial Purposes

A. Measuring/Sorting Devices. Anyone dealing, buying, processing, shipping or transporting hard clams, soft clams or oysters in the shell for wholesale commercial purposes within the Town of Huntington shall be in possession of a measuring/sorting device designed to size shellstock pursuant to the requirements of this chapter.

B. Nighttime Restrictions. No person, business, firm, partnership or corporation shall deal with shellfish for commercial purposes on town land underwater between sunset and sunrise.

C. State Permits.

(1) Buying. No person, business, partnership or corporation shall buy or otherwise receive shellfish for commercial purposes, within the jurisdiction of the Town of Huntington, from anyone who does not possess the appropriate, valid NYSDEC permit authorizing them to take or deal in shellstock for commercial purposes.

(2) Selling. No person, business, firm, partnership or corporation shall sell or otherwise transfer shellfish for commercial purposes, within the jurisdiction of the Town of Huntington, to anyone who does not possess the appropriate, valid NYSDEC permit authorizing them to deal in shellstock for commercial purposes.

13.0 - Taking of Starfish, Drills, Moon Snails and Whelks/Conchs

Starfish (*Asterias* species), Drills (*Urosalpinx cineria* and *Eupleura caudata*), Moon Snails (*Polynices* species and *Lunatia* species) and Whelks/Conchs (genera *Busycon/Busycotypus*), when taken, shall not be returned alive to town lands underwater.

14.0 - Inspections

A. Requirement. Any person, business, firm, partnership or corporation involved in the taking, selling, buying, processing, shipping or transporting of shellfish within the jurisdiction of the Town of Huntington shall permit any law enforcement officer or other duly authorized individual to inspect the contents of any boat, vehicle or place of business of any kind, locker, box, basket, crate, creel, bag or container of any nature, at any time and as often as deemed necessary by said inspecting officer or individual. Such inspections shall be made in such a manner as to provide adequate control of the size of all shellfish offered for sale or harvested within the jurisdiction of the Town of Huntington, and to ensure that species are not taken out of season.

B. Dumping. It shall be unlawful for anyone who has been requested or signaled to stop by any police or peace officer to throw or dump the following into the water before such officer has inspected the same:

(1) Any shellfish or the contents of any pail, bag, barrel, basket, or container of any nature which may be used in the taking, holding or storage of shellfish; or

(2) Any container which may be used in the taking or storage of shellfish or any implements used in the taking of shellfish.

C. Evasion. It shall be unlawful for anyone to release, discharge, dispose, lower, dump or blind set into the water any shellfish and/or shellfish containers where this act shall be deemed intentional to avoid and evade inspection, detection or possession of harvested shellfish.

Please see ‘Huntington Town Code, Chapter 166. - Shellfish Management’ for information regarding –

- § 166-1. Title and Legislative Findings; Definitions
- § 166-2. Definitions and word usage.
- § 166-3. Shellfish taker’s permit required.
- § 166-4. Types of taker’s permits; terms.
- § 166-5. Application for taker’s permits; deadlines.
- § 166-6. Taker’s permit fees; decal replacement.
- § 166-9. Buyer’s or buyer’s helper permit required.
- § 166-10. Buyer’s or buyer’s helper permits applications; terms.
- § 166-11. Buyer’s or buyer’s helper permit fees; decal replacement fees.
- § 166-12. Display of buyer’s or buyer’s helper permits and decals.
- § 166-21. Leased lands.
- § 166-26. Refusal, rejection or denial of permit applications.
- § 166-27. Suspension of permits.
- § 166-28. Appeals.
- § 166-29. Fees.
- § 166-30. Hearings.
- § 166-31. Penalties for offenses.
- § 166-32. Severability.

Appendix A

NYSDEC - Uncertified/Seasonally Certified Shellfishing Areas and Shellfish Management Areas

Individuals holding Town of Huntington Commercial and/or personal/Recreational Shellfish Taker's Licenses can access the "NYSDEC Public Shellfish Mapper" web-page at -

[NYSDEC Public Shellfish Mapper \(arcgis.com\)](http://arcgis.com)

- for information regarding certified/uncertified shellfish areas. For up-to-date temporary shellfish area closure information, please call the NYSDEC hotline at (631) 444-0480.

Town of Huntington - Uncertified/Seasonally Certified Shellfishing Areas and Shellfish Management Areas

Effective May 20th, 2014, the Town of Huntington has designated Lloyd Harbor a "**Shellfish Management Area**", for the express purpose of prohibiting sail dredging for the taking of oysters at that location. The Lloyd Harbor "**Shellfish Management Area**" includes all Town lands underwater west of a line beginning at the southernmost tip of the "Lloyd Harbor Lighthouse Point" and extending in a south-south-easterly direction to a point of land located 300 feet northeast of the terminus of "Lighthouse Point Drive" in the Village of Lloyd Harbor.

Effective May 20th, 2014 the Town of Huntington has designated Duck Island Harbor a "**Shellfish Management Area**", for the express purpose of prohibiting sail dredging for the taking of oysters at that location. The Duck Island Harbor "**Shellfish Management Area**" includes all Town lands underwater north of the geographic line connecting the most eastern point of "Clamshell Point" to the most westward point of "Duck Island".

Effective October 12th, 1995, the Town of Huntington has designated that all that area of Centerport Harbor, including tributaries lying southerly of a line extending easterly from the southernmost end of the white painted garage with red-colored shingled roof (located near the western shoreline of Centerport Harbor on the property at 76 Knollwood Road, local names and local landmarks) to the gazebo with sailboat weather vane (located on the hillside near the eastern shoreline of Centerport Harbor on the property at 247 Little Neck Road, local names and local landmarks) be designated "**Winter Grounds**" and that within this designated area the taking of shellfish is permitted from December 1st thru April 30th on an annual basis, thereby mandating the area be seasonally closed from May 1st thru November 30th annually.

Effective August 17th, 1993, the Town Board of Huntington designated an eastern portion of Northport Bay, more particularly as follows a "**Shellfish Management Area**" for shellfish stocking and limited to **personal/recreational harvesting only** (for a valid personal permit holder using recreational harvesting gear between Memorial Day through Labor Day each year) where: "All town lands underwater located in the easternmost section of Northport Bay from a line extending westerly from a management area sign located north of the Town of Huntington Asharoken Beach Pavilion to a management area buoy approximately 150 feet seaward from mean low water, then approximately 200 feet north to a management area buoy, then easterly to a management area sign located on shore adjacent to the boundary between Asharoken Village and the Asharoken Town Beach".

Effective July 13th, 1993, the Town Board of Huntington designated the northeastern portion of Duck Island Harbor, as described more particularly as follows, to be a "**Shellfish Management Area**" **closed** to harvesting for an unlimited time for the conservation and protection of shellfish resources located therein: "All town lands underwater located in northeastern Duck Island Harbor lying easterly of a line which extends northerly from the three story house located at the northwestern-most terminus of Duck Island Lane to the one story green bungalow with blue trim located on the south side of Asharoken Avenue".

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Appendix B - Table 1A:

Town of Huntington - Commercial Shellfish Taker's Permit Seasonal, Size and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions

Species/Type	Seasonal Restrictions	Size Restrictions	MDCQ Restrictions
Hard Clams		Not more than 3% of each shellfish container shall consist of Hard Clams measuring ≤ 1.0 inches in thickness.	
Hard Clams, Neck	None.	Must be ≥ 1.0 inch in thickness and < 1.5 inches in thickness.	7,500
Hard Clams, Cherrystone	None.	Must be ≥ 1.5 inches in thickness and < 2.0 inches in thickness.	2,500
Hard Clams, Chowder	05/15 - 08/31	Must Be ≥ 2.0 inches in thickness.	250
	09/01 - 05/14	Must Be ≥ 2.0 inches in thickness.	3,750
Oysters	09/01 - 05/14	Must be ≥ 3.0 inches in longest dimension.	500
	05/15 - 08/31	Must be ≥ 3.0 inches in longest dimension.	3,750
Soft Clams/Steamers	None.	Must be ≥ 1.5 inches in longest dimension.	10 Bushels
Bay Scallops	1 st Monday of November thru 03/31	$\geq 2.0\%$ of each shellfish container shall consist of Bay Scallops which are ≤ 2.25 inches from the middle of the hinge to the middle of the bill.	10 Bushels
Whelks	None.	None.	

Notes

- One (1) bushel (US standard measure) = 1.24 cubic feet / 2150.42 cubic inches / 9.31 US fluid gallons (= 37.24 quarts = 74.48 pints)
- 2.0% of one (1) bushel (US standard measure) = 0.02 cubic feet / 43.01 cubic inches / 0.19 US fluid gallons (= 0.74 quarts = 1.49 pints)
- 3.0% of one (1) bushel (US standard measure) = 0.04 cubic feet / 64.51 cubic inches / 0.28 US fluid gallons (= 1.12 quarts = 2.23 pints)

Appendix B - Table 1B:

Town of Huntington - Commercial Shellfish Taker's Permit Maximum Daily Numerical Value (MDNV) Restriction Calculations

Maximum Daily Numerical Value (MDNV) - A "Maximum Daily Numerical Value" not to exceed **Seven Thousand Five Hundred (7,500)** shall be used when **Catch** quota per commercial vessel for all regulated species (Hard Clams, Oysters, Soft Clams/Steamers and Bay Scallops combined).

Species/Type	Numerical Value Multiplier (NVM)	MDNV (for Sum Total Daily Catch)
All	Listed Below	7,500 MDNV (for Sum Total Daily Catch)
		MDNV (= MDCQ x
Hard Clams, Neck	1.0 NVM (per organism)	7,500 MDNV (= 7,500 MDCQ x 1.0 NVM)
Hard Clams, Cherrystone	2.0 NVM (per organism)	5,000 MDNV (= 2,500 MDCQ x 2.0 NVM)
Hard Clams, Chowder	5.0 NVM (per organism)	1,250 MDNV (= 250 MDCQ x 5.0 NVM) for 05/15 - 08/31
		5,000 MDNV (= 1,000 MDCQ x 5.0 NVM) for 09/01 - 05/14
Oysters	2.0 NVM (per organism)	1,000 MDNV (= 500 MDCQ x 2.0 NVM) for 05/15 - 08/31
		7,500 MDNV (= 3,750 MDCQ x 2.0 NVM) for 09/01 - 05/14
Soft Clams/Steamers	500 NVM (per one [1.0] bushel [standard measure])	5,000 MDNV (= ten (10) bushels MDCQ x 500 NVM)
Bay Scallops	500 NVM (per one [1.0] bushel [standard measure])	5,000 MDNV (= ten (10) bushels MDCQ x 500 NVM)
Whelks	<i>N/A, Not Regulated</i>	<i>N/A, Not Regulated</i>

-- Example Calculation --

- A Commercial Shellfisherman's haul for one particular day may not exceed the 7,500 MDNV restriction throughout the year.

- A Commercial Fisherman's haul for one particular day on October consists of the following:

"Neck" Hard Clams -	500	500 x 1.0 NVM = 500 NV	(< the 7,500 MDNV)
"Cherrystone" Hard Clams -	220	220 x 2.0 NVM = 440 NV	(< the 5,000 MDNV)
"Chowder" Hard Clams -	600	600 x 5.0 NVM = 3,000 NV	(< the 5,000 MDNV for 09/01 thru 05/15)
Oysters -	720	720 x 2.0 NVM = 1,440 NV	(< the 7,500 MDNV for 09/01 thru 05/14)
Soft Clams -	1.5 Bushels	1.5 x 500 NVM = <u>750 NV</u>	(< the 5,000 MDNV)

Total Numerical Value (NV) - 6,130 NV

Appendix B - Table 2:

Town of Huntington – Personal/Recreational Shellfish Taker’s Permit Seasonal, Size and Maximum Daily Catch Quota (MDCQ) Restrictions

Species/Type	Seasonal Restrictions	Size Restrictions	MDCQ Restrictions
Hard Clams, Neck	None.	Not more than 3.0% of each shellfish container shall consist of Hard Clams which are less than 1.0 inch in thickness.	0.5 bushels of singular or mixed regulated shellfish species.
Hard Clams, Cherrystone			
Hard Clams, Chowder			
Oysters	None.	Must be \geq 3.0 inches in longest dimension.	Within each MDCQ 0.5 bushel, no greater than 100 Hard Clams total of any size may be taken.
Soft Clams/Steamers	None.	Must be \geq 1.5 inches in longest dimension.	
Bay Scallops	1 st Monday of November thru 03/31	\geq 2.0% of each shellfish container shall consist of Bay Scallops which are \leq 2.25 inches from the middle of the hinge to the middle of the bill.	
Whelks	None.	None.	None.

Notes

- One (1) bushel (US standard measure) = 1.24 cubic feet / 2150.42 cubic inches / 9.31 US fluid gallons (= 37.24 quarts = 74.48 pints)
- 2.0% of one (1) bushel (US standard measure) = 0.02 cubic feet / 43.01 cubic inches / 0.19 US fluid gallons (= 0.74 quarts = 1.49 pints)
- 3.0% of one (1) bushel (US standard measure) = 0.04 cubic feet / 64.51 cubic inches / 0.28 US fluid gallons (= 1.12 quarts = 2.23 pints)